



MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Attorney Docket No. 001-US-02
(Nath 82605X)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

John R. Essig, et al.

Filed: December 4, 2003

Examiner: Chen, Shih Chao

Serial No.: 10/729,145

Group Art Unit: 2821

For: MODULAR INFLATABLE MULTIFUNCTION FIELD-DEPLOYABLE APPARATUS
AND METHODS OF MANUFACTURE

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated June 1, 2006. The three month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on September 6, 2006. A three month Petition for Extension of Time and fee are attached hereto, extending the period for reply to December 1, 2006. In view of the following remarks and amendments, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections, and allow all claims pending in this application.

Please amend the captioned application as follows: